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SUBJ: TEN PERCENT DEPOSIT REQUIREMENT:FY1972 OBLIGATION

REF: (A) LIMA 4583, DTG 031715Z, JULY 1973

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(C) STATE 78903, DTG 262126Z APRIL 1973

(D) STATE 52914, DTG 221925Z MARCH 1973

1. ACCORDING DSAA, DATA CONCERNING TRAINING LINE ITEMS REQUESTED IN PARA FOUR OF REF (A) NOT AVAILABLE FOR BILLING PERIOD IN QUESTION. TWO OTHER EMBASSIES IN HEMISPHERE ALSO FACED WITH HOST COUNTRY REQUEST FOR BILLING BY RECEIVING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SERVICE. IN VIEW FACT IT NOT FEASIBLE FOR DOD TO PROVIDE

LINE ITEM BREAKDOWN, ONE EMBASSY PREPARED BILLING BY RECEIVING SERVICE BASED ON ITS OWN RECORDS AS INSTRUCTED IN REF (C). OTHER EMBASSY USED FIGURES PROVIDED IN REF (D) AND PRESENTED THEM TO HOST COUNTRY AS A RECEIVING SERVICE BILLING.

2. LIMA MAAG SHOULD IMMEDIATELY PREPARE BILLING TO BE PRESENT SOONEST TO FOREIGN MINISTRY BASED ON ITS OWN RECORDS AND BROKEN DOWN BY RECEIVING SERVICE. WHEN BILLING BY RECEIVING SERVICE PRESENTED FOREIGN MINISTRY, EMBASSY SHOULD STATE THAT US LEGISLATION REQUIRES THE PROMPT COLLECTION THIS OBLIGATION NOW IN ARREARS AND EXPRESS HOPE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT WILL COOPERATE WITH US IN THIS MATTER. EMBASSY SHOULD POINT OUT EXECUTIVE BRANCH POTENTIALLY OPEN TO CRITICISM BY CONGRESS AND GAO FOR

HAVING FAILED TO COLLECT THIS SUM AND THAT CONGRESSIONAL CRITICISM CAN ADVERSELY AFFECT FUTURE MILITARY ASSISTANCE. EMBASSY SHOULD ADD THAT LAW PROVIDES FOR HALT IN MAP ORDERS FOR TRAINING IN EVENT PAYMENT NOT MADE PROMPTLY; HOWEVER, EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT WE WISH AVOID SUCH AN OUTCOME.

3. EMBASSY MAY ALSO WISH MAKE FOREGOING POINTS INFORMALLY TO ALL THREE PERUVIAN ARMED SERVICES AFTER PRESENTING BILLING TO FOREIGN MINISTRY. WE ENCOURAGED BY GARCIA BEDOYA'S BELIEF (LIMA 4300) THAT FINANCE MINISTRY HAS DECIDED APPLICABLE EXCHANGE RATE MATTER FAVORABLY TO USG. PERHAPS ARMED SERVICES CAN DISCREETLY EXPEDITE FINAL RESOLUTION EXCHANGE RATE FOR TEN PERCENT DEPOSIT REQUIREMENT WITHIN FOREIGN AND FINANCE MINISTRIES. WE AWARE THAT SUSPENDING MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO PERU WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT OTHER US INTERESTS, NEVERTHELESS IT IMPERATIVE THAT PERUVIANS UNDERSTAND THAT OUR FLEXIBILITY IS LIMITED BY STATUTE.

4. PLEASE REPORT PERUVIAN REACTION SOONEST. ROGERS

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